

Amendment to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 15 with the following paragraph:

However constructed, the dielectric housing has a plurality of substantially open receptacles 25 (FIG. 2). When the connector 21 is properly disposed between the electronic components, the receptacles 25 substantially align between corresponding contact pads or the like (not shown) of these components. In a typical arrangement, these two electronic components can have identically-spaced arrays of contacts or terminals, which arrays preferably correspond to the receptacles of the housing. Dielectric housing 22 has a first surface 26, shown as a top surface, and a second surface 27, shown as a bottom surface. The distance between the first surface and the second surface is the thickness T of the dielectric housing. As can be seen in the Figures, and in particular, Figures 1 and 2, the thickness T of the housing at the location of the receptacle 25 is generally the same as the thickness T of the housing at the location of the housing lacking receptacles 25 passing from the first surface to the second surface of the housing. In use, the top surface is positioned generally adjacent a first electronic component, and the bottom surface is positioned generally adjacent a second electronic component.

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached two sheets of drawings include changes to Figures 1 and 2. These sheets, which include Figures 1-4, replace the original sheets including Figures 1-4. In Figures 1 and 2, the thickness reference sign “T” has been added. Both a replacement sheet and an annotated sheet of the drawings are attached to this amendment.